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John S. HENDRICKS et al.

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Serial No.: 09/400,296

Examiner: Beemnet W. Dada

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Art Unit: 2135

For: ELECTRONIC BOOK SECURITY AND COPYRIGHT PROTECTION SYSTEM

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: September 24, 2007

Sir:

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- ☐ 1. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed (a) within three months of the U.S. filing date, OR (b) before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits in the present application, OR (c) accompanies a Request for Continued Examination. No certification or fee is required.
- ☐ 2. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed more than three months after the U.S. filing date AND after the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, but before the mailing date of a Final Rejection or Notice of Allowance.
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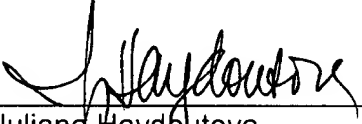
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The Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the U.S. Patent references included in the Information Disclosure Statement filed March 13, 2007.

Further, the Applicant respectfully submits that the Information Disclosure Statement filed August 1, 2007, a copy of which is enclosed herewith, was timely filed. The IDS appears not to have been considered because the PTO did not receive the fee of \$180.00 (see page 2 of the enclosed IDS filed August 1, 2007). However, the Applicant submits that the IDS authorized the PTO to charge any fees due to Deposit Account No. 01-2300 (see page 2 of the enclosed IDS filed August 1, 2007). Therefore, the IDS was filed in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, and the Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement.

In the event that any fees are due with respect to this paper, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referencing Atty. Docket No. 026880-00018.

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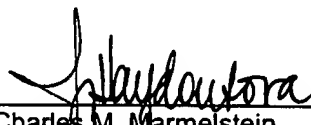
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- ☒ 4. The reference was cited in corresponding foreign applications and related U.S. and foreign applications.

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